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For: DELIVERY OF AN ACTIVE DRUG TO

THE POSTERIOR PART OF THE EYE

VIA SUBCONJUNCTIVAL OR PERIOCULAR DELIVERY OF A

PRODRUG

Irvine, California

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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In response to the December 31, 2007 office action, applicant elects a carboxylic acid salt. The claims that appear to be readable upon the elected species are claims 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 19.

Respectfully Submitted,

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